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Successful National Apprenticeship Week #NAW2024 for CISRS

CISRS hit the road last week to visit approved training providers, meet apprentices, attend careers events and open days and welcome school children, school leavers and their parents – in a bid to promote the benefits of a career in the scaffolding sector during #NAW2024.

Monday 5th February

Dave Mosley, CISRS MD, dropped in on apprentices and their instructor, Rob King completing their Part 2C at 3t training North Shields. They are coming to the end of their training programme and will shortly complete their end point assessment and qualify as CISRS scaffolders.



Tuesday 6th February

At SIMIAN scaffolding training centre in Warrington, CISRS Compliance Manager, Tony Barry met a group of apprentices to take part in the first of a series of career talks by Simian as part of national apprenticeship week.

Former Simian trained advanced scaffolder/now Simian H&S consultant, Dallas Cooper, spoke of to the apprentices of his own experience in the industry – highlighting the progression opportunities available in the scaffolding and wider construction sector.





Continuing on his tour of the region, Tony Barry spent the afternoon meeting two groups of apprentices and their instructors, Jonathan Duff and Sacub Qureshi at Total People in Manchester.

Tuesday 6th February

CISRS MD, Dave Mosley attended “Job Fest” – a ‘meet the employer’ event held at the SIMIAN/LASC training centre in Leytonstone, London. This provided a chance for more than 200 would be apprentices from local schools to try one of 21 trades on offer at the event – which of course included scaffolding, which proved very popular.



Wednesday 7th February



Tony Barry rounded off his visit of apprentices in the North West region by dropping in to see Phil Harding and his trainees at Training 2000 in Blackburn. Tony said: “Apprentice provision is thriving in the North West. It is really great to see so so many youngsters choosing scaffolding as a career.”

Wednesday 7th February

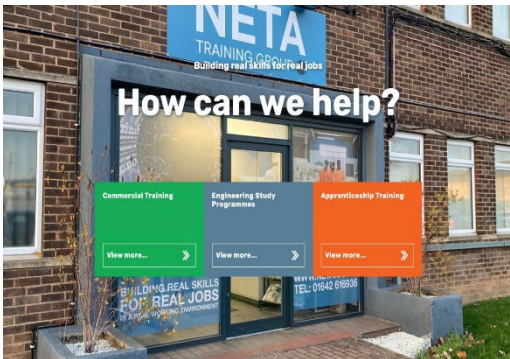
Meanwhile in the South East region, CISRS Administration and Finance Manager, Laura Weekes dropped into National Construction College South at Erith in Kent to meet with Centre Manager, Ricky Turner – who introduced her to some apprenticeship groups currently going through the scaffolding apprentice standard.

Laura said: "I had a really good chat with some Part 2a trainees who all seem to be enjoying their training so far. There were also two other apprentice groups a Part 1a and Part 1b at the centre whilst I was there, so there does not appear a shortage of new talent coming through apprenticeship route, which is just what the sector needs."



Thursday 8th February

Thursday evening saw CISRS MD, Dave Mosley back in the North East at NETA Training on Teesside – at another careers open event, where 150+ young people & their parents visited the centre to speak with local employers and instructors about apprenticeships & getting #SkillsForLife. It was a very positive event.



Friday 9th February



Tony Barry rounded off National Apprentice Week with a visit to his local CISRS training provider, Construction College Midlands (part of Walsall College) in Birmingham. Tony met with Instructor, Stephen Brant and one of his current group of apprentices, all of whom were loving their choice of trade and the spotlight #NAW2024 shone on them.

Rounding up CISRS' #NAW2024 activities, Dave Mosley said: "The CISRS staff had a great time getting out and about during National Apprentice Week – meeting the current crop of apprentices and hopefully some of our future workforce."

“The apprentices were very positive about their career opportunities and wanted to explore all of the possibilities it can offer such as becoming an advanced scaffolder, scaffolding supervisor, estimators, designers and the thrill of working on very large projects such as Hinkley Power Station, offshore or overseas, setting up their own company etc. The options are plentiful.

“We would like to say a big thank you to the CISRS training providers for hosting these superb events and we hope are already looking forward to more promotion of apprentices and apprenticeships next year.”